Dear Roseanna,

THE DRAFT CLIMATE CHANGE PLAN AND SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT STRATEGIES

I am writing to seek an update on several consultations and strategies which the Committee is aware will be produced in 2017 and which are connected to sectors which will be covered by the draft Climate Change Plan.

As you are aware, the Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee has been considering Scotland’s progress towards reducing Scotland’s greenhouse gas emissions and the recommendations of the Committee on Climate Change (CCC). The Committee will be writing to you shortly on this. The CCC’s report also highlights a number of strategies which will be published or consulted on in 2017 and, by way of preparing to consider the draft Climate Change Plan, the Committee seeks an urgent update on:

- The publication date of the final Climate Change Plan
- The timetables for the consultations on the draft energy strategy and unconventional oil and gas
  - when the responses and analysis of the consultations will be published
  - how these will be incorporated into or inform the final Climate Change Plan
  - whether the conclusions and results of these consultations will be published after the climate change plan is concluded
- The process and timetable for consulting upon and developing the new National Transport Strategy, and how this will take account of and interact with the draft and final Climate Change Plans
- The timescales for the review of the Scottish Forestry Strategy
Given these issues impact on the scrutiny of the draft Climate Change Plan, the Committee seeks an urgent update on these areas and requests a response to this letter by **30 November 2016**.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

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